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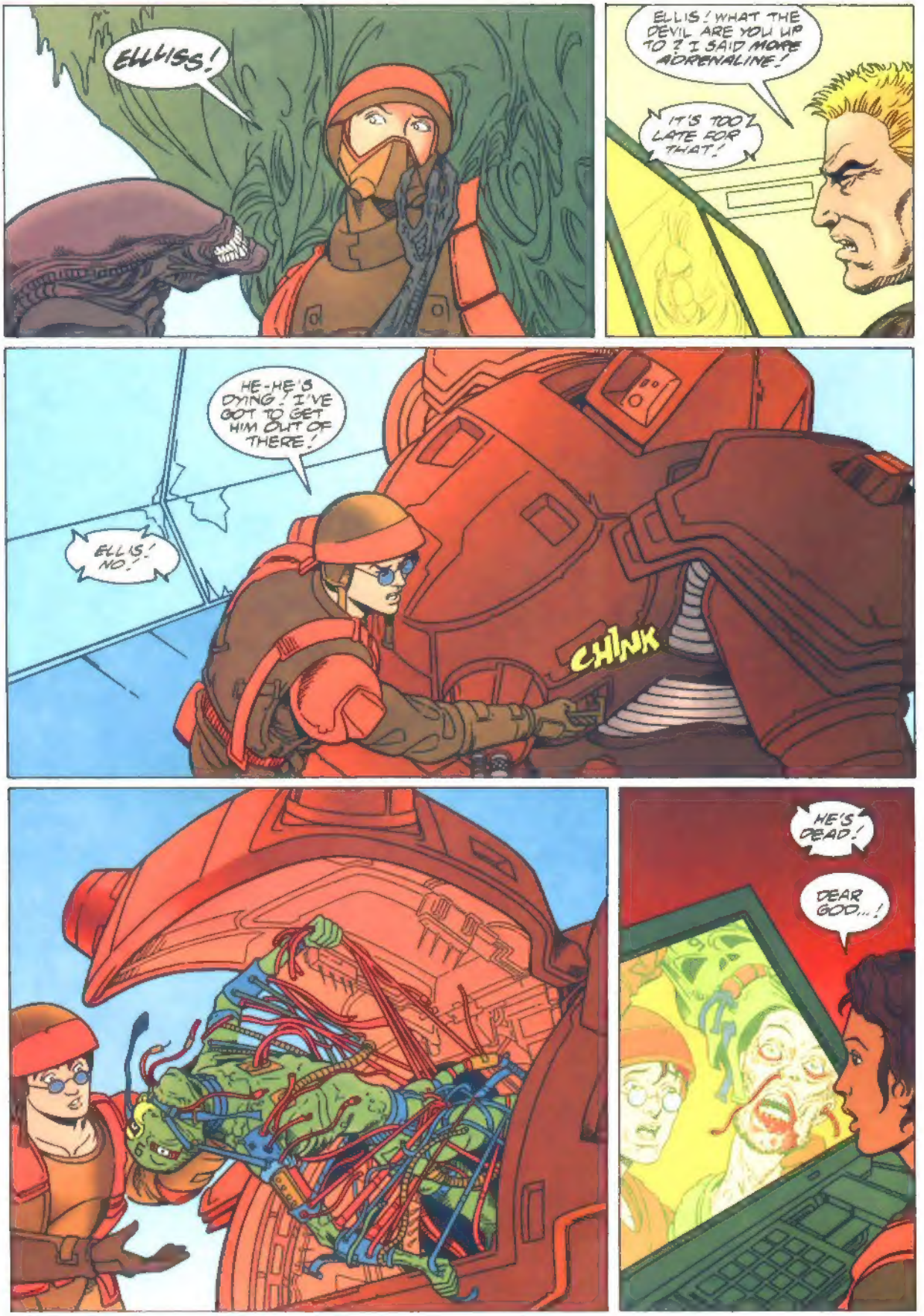
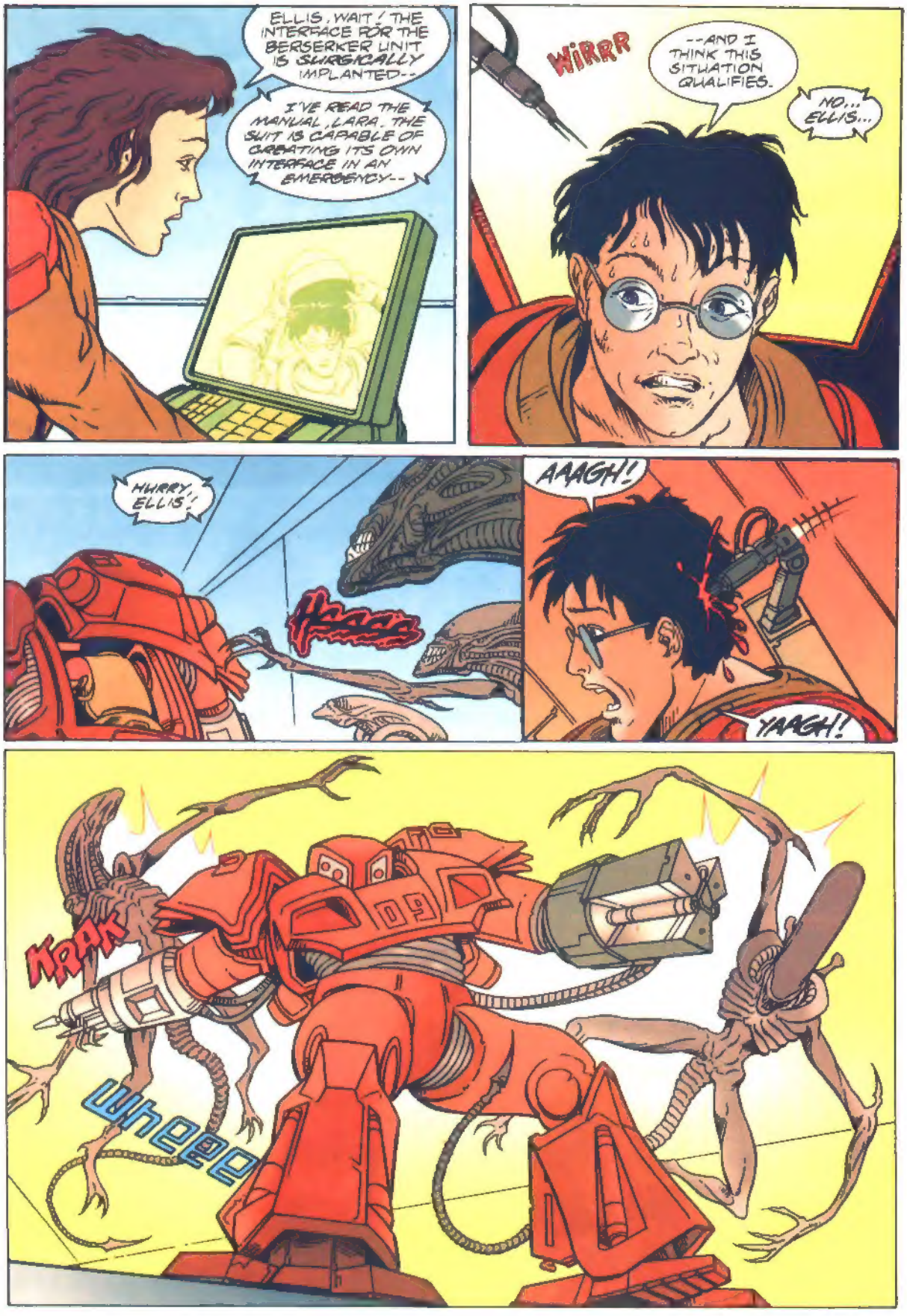
THEY'RE TAKING ME TO THE HIVE!
WEYLAND YUTANI
TRADER OCNI7112AH1
YOU DON'T GET MAX MOBILE, ELLIS. I'M GONNA BE HAVIN' A BABY--AN' IT AIN'T GONNA BE HUMAN!


ELLISS!
ELLIS! WHAT THE DEVIL ARE YOU UP TO? I SAID MORE ADRENALINE!
IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT!
HE-HE'S DYING! I'VE GOT TO GET HIM OUT OF THERE!
ELLIS! NO!
CHINK
HE'S DEAD!
DEAR GOD...!

WE'RE DONE FOR, MAN!
THEY'RE BREAKING THROUGH MY MASK!
IT'S NOT GONNA HOLD OUT!
CRA-ACK
SCRIT
OH, SWEET MERCY! I DON'T WANT TO DIE LIKE THIS!
THERE'S GOT TO BE A WAY!
ELLIS... YOU'RE NOT THINKING OF...
NO, ELLIS! YOU'RE NOT TRAINED FOR THIS...
...YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT INTERFACING WITH THE SUIT'S COMPUTERS WILL DO TO YOU!

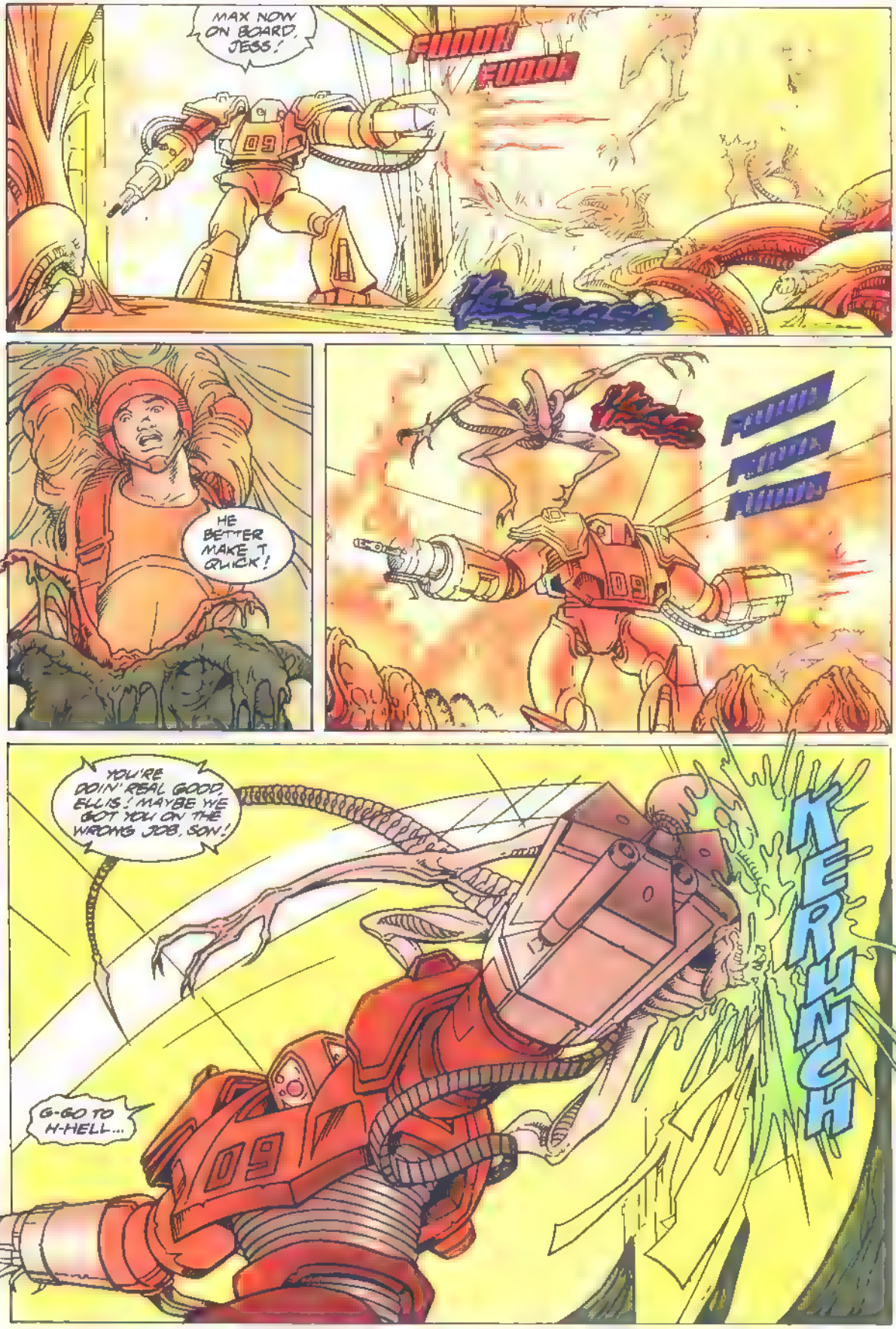

ELLIS, WAIT! THE INTERFACE FOR THE BERSERKER UNIT IS SURGICALLY IMPLANTED--
I'VE READ THE MANUAL, LARA. THE SUIT IS CAPABLE OF CREATING ITS OWN INTERFACE IN AN EMERGENCY--
WIRRR
--AND I THINK THIS SITUATION QUALIFIES.
NO... ELLIS...
HURRY, ELLIS!
HAAG
AAAGH!
YAAGH!
KRAK
WHEEE

UGH! KILLING ME!
FOOM
FUDDA
FUDDA
HSSSS
HSSSS
VADOOM
YOU HAVE TO RELAX! STOP FIGHTING THE SUIT FOR CONTROL!
WHIR
HSSSS
SPATTA
FUDDA
FUDDA
FUDDA

..RELAX..
70
LO
FUDDA
FUDDA
FUDDA
PATTA
TRY FORWARD MOTION. EASY, WALK--DON'T TRY TO RUN.

GOOD! INCREASE PRESSURE FOR MORE SPEED!
GOT YOU--!
BAY 12
KRUNG
KRUNG
YOU GOT IT NOW, ELLIS!
FOOOM
FOOOM
DOOM
HOLD ON, GROUND LEADER! MAX IS ON HIS WAY!
IT'S TOO LATE FOR TEAPE!

TOO DAMN LATE!
I-I'M IN... I-IN THE D-DOCKING BAY!
FUDDA
FUDDA
FUDDA
SPATTA
09
DON'T WASTE TIME, ELLIS! STRAIGHT FOR THE HIVE!


MAX NOW ON BOARD, JESS!
FUDOK
FUDOK
HE BETTER MAKE IT QUICK!
YOU'RE DOIN' REAL GOOD, ELLIS! MAYBE WE GOT YOU ON THE WRONG JOB, SON!
G-GO TO H-HELL...
KRUNCH

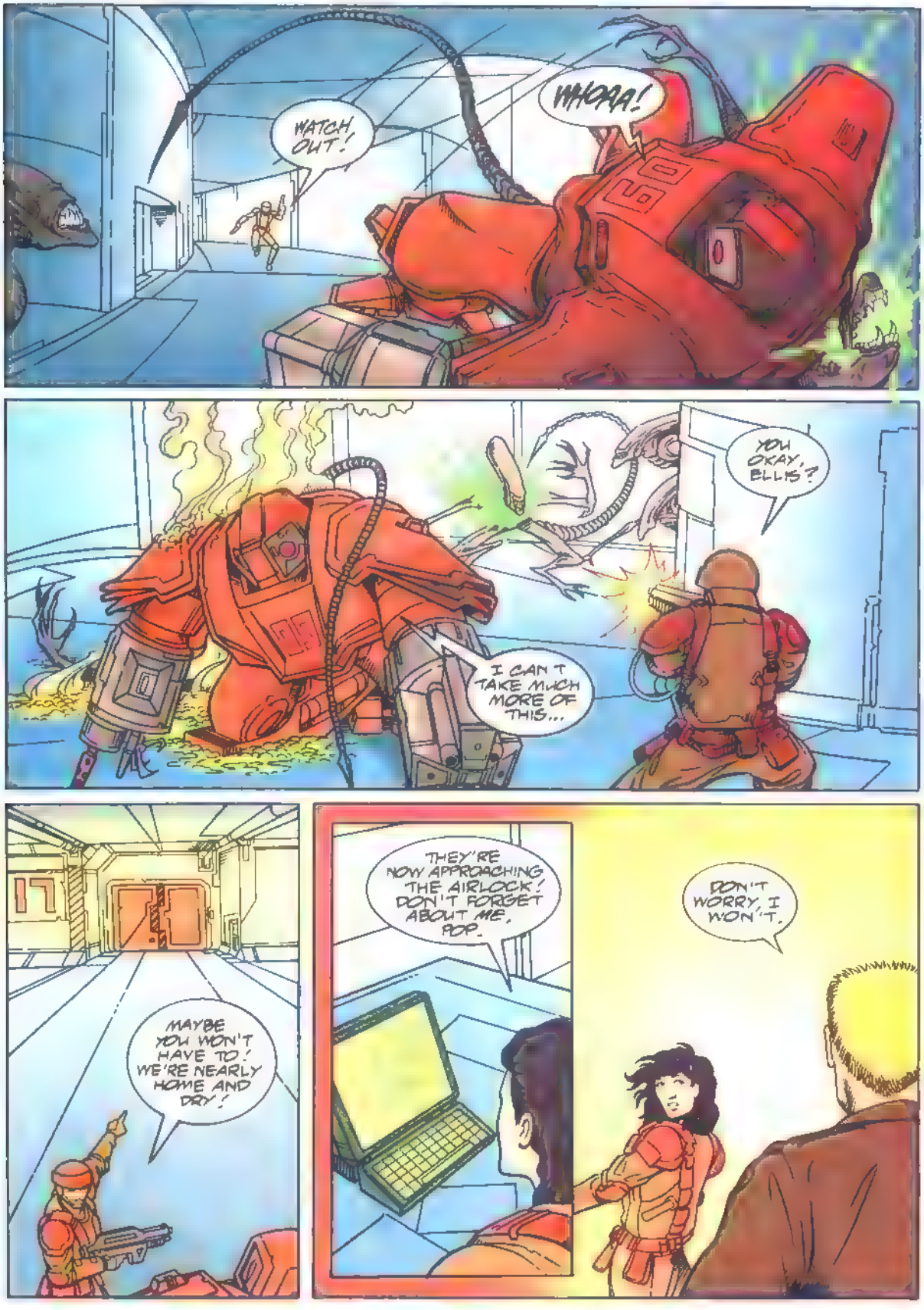
SHAKE T, ELLIS!
JESS ISN'T WEARING A C-CUT-OUT! GOTTA F-FIGHT THE T-TARGETING SYSTEM!
FUDDH FUDDH
SHEEE--!
SPATTA
SPATTA
CRYO
SUSPENSION
PODS
MONITOR
THE QUEEN!

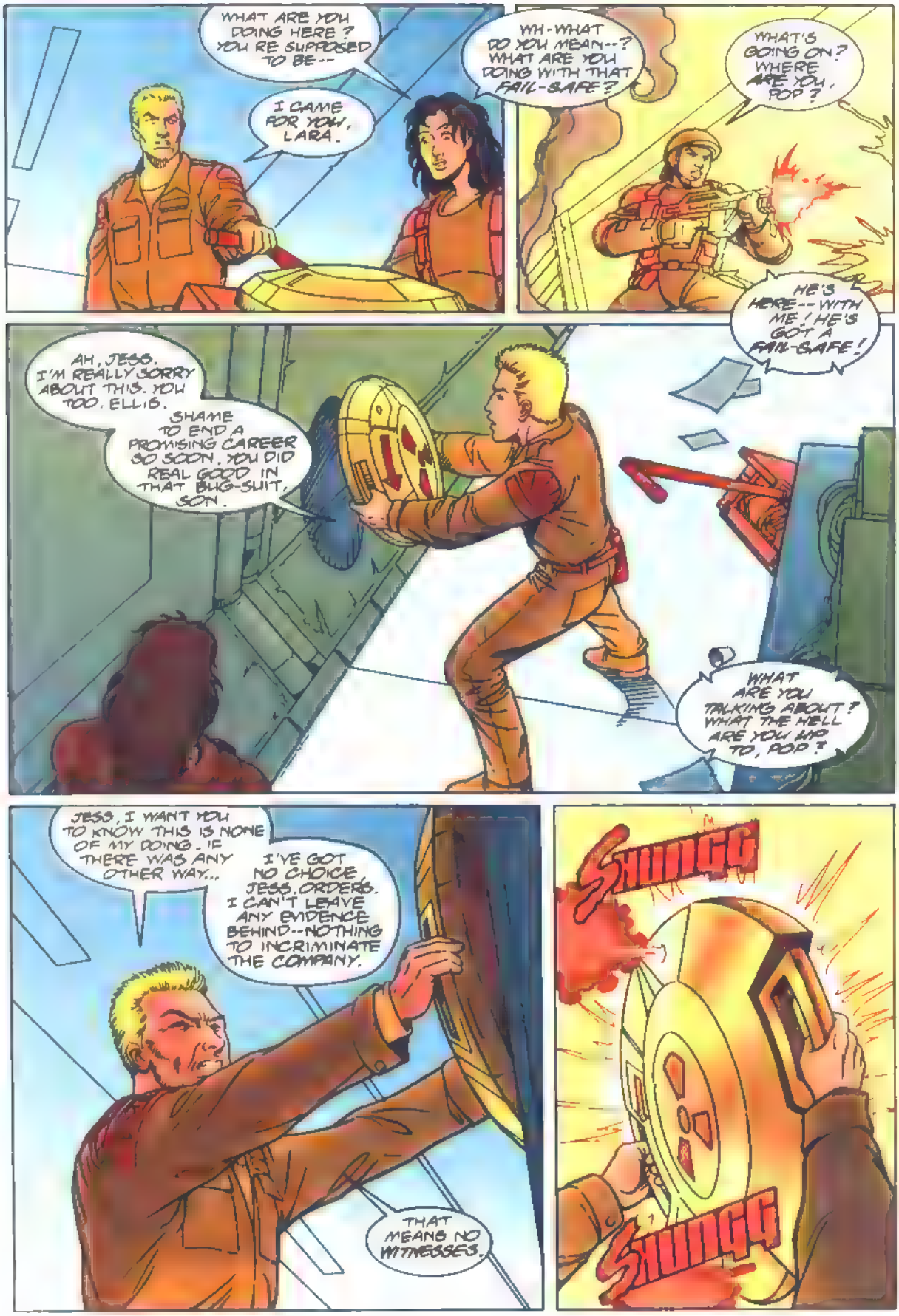
THWUPPA
THWUPPA
THWUPPA
09
VADOOM!
VADOOM!
CUT ME LOOSE, MAN!
I-I'LL TRY..
ZZZZZ
CAREFUL, ELLIS!

TEAPE--!
ACID SPLASH! POOR SUCKER. HE WAS RIGHT-- SAFER IN JAIL!
TWO DEAD! TWO GOOD MEN, POP! DAMN YOU! DAMN THE COMPANY!
PLENTY OF TIME TO CUSS OUT WHOEVER YOU LIKE WHEN YOU'VE FINISHED YOUR JOB. JESS! LOCATE THE PRIMARY CONSOLE -- BEGIN TRANSFER OF THE SHIP'S DATALOGS TO NEMESIS!

DATALOG PRIMED FOR TRANSMISSION ARE YOU RECEIVING, NEMESIS?
AFFIRMATIVE PROCEED
COMING THROUGH LOUD AND PROUD, GROUND LEADER!
THE REST IS AUTOMATIC, POP! YOU DON'T NEED THEM! GET THEM OUT OF THERE!
OF COURSE.
WELL DONE, GENTLEMEN. REST ASSURED, I'LL CERTAINLY BE TAKING YOUR COMPLAINTS UP WITH THE COMPANY.
THERE'S AN AUXILIARY AIRLOCK ONE LEVEL BELOW YOUR DOCKING BAY. MUCH CLOSER. MAKE FOR THAT.
I'LL RENDEZVOUS WITH YOU IN THE SHUTTLE.
YO!

DID YOU HEAR THAT, ELLIS? WE'RE GETTIN' OUT OF HERE!
RUDDA RUDDA
PLENTY OF TROUBLE STILL ABOUT! WE AIN'T EVEN STARTED DEBUGGIN' THIS PLACE, MAN!
THIS WAY!


WATCH OUT!
WHOAA!
YOU OKAY, ELLIS?
I CAN'T TAKE MUCH MORE OF THIS...
MAYBE YOU WON'T HAVE TO! WE'RE NEARLY HOME AND DRY!
THEY'RE NOW APPROACHING THE AIRLOCK! DON'T FORGET ABOUT ME, POP.
DON'T WORRY, I WON'T.

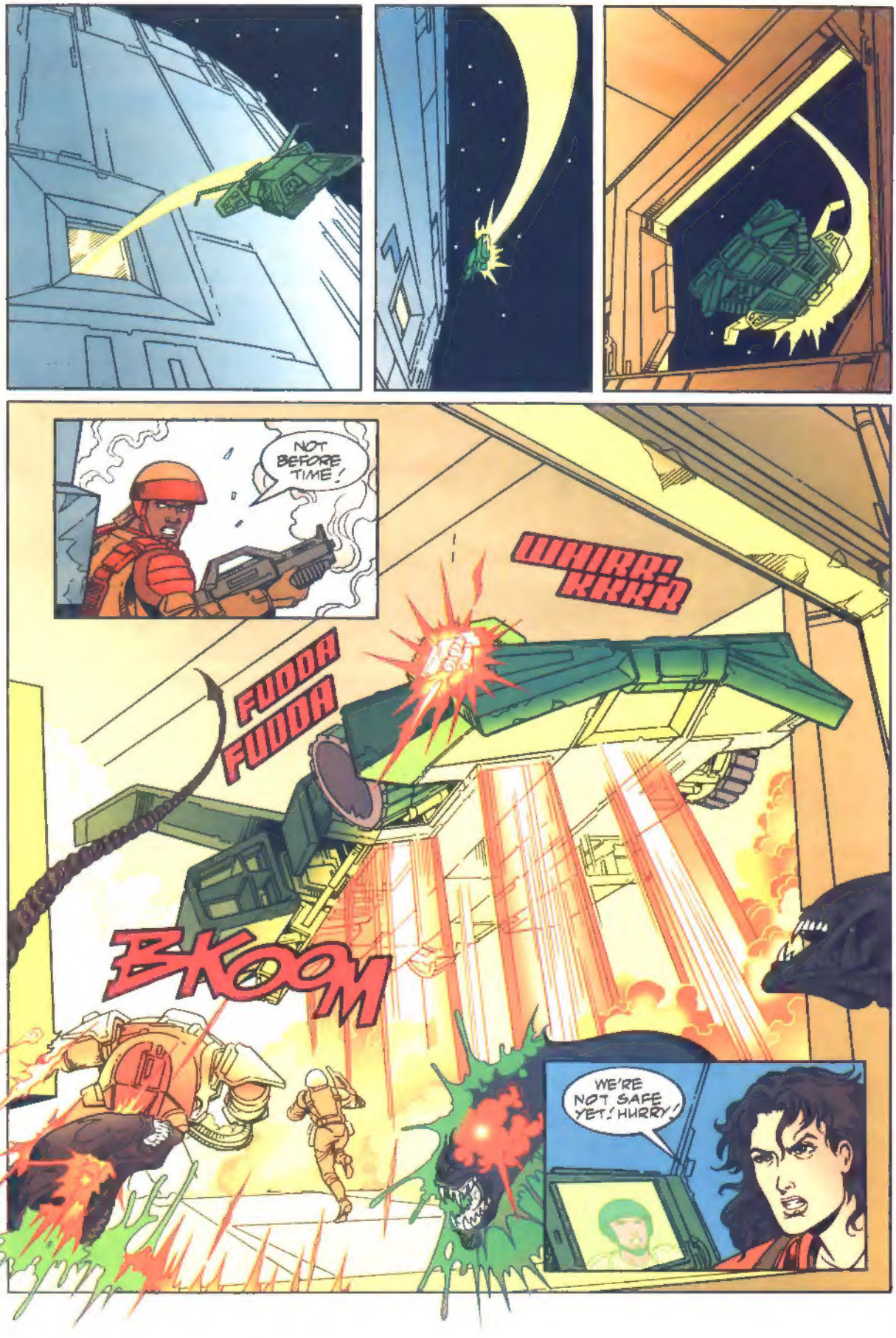

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE--
I CAME FOR YOU, LARA.
WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN--? WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT FAIL-SAFE?
WHAT'S GOING ON? WHERE ARE YOU, POP?
HE'S HERE--WITH ME! HE'S GOT A FAIL-SAFE!
AH, JESS. I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT THIS. YOU TOO, ELLIS.
SHAME TO END A PROMISING CAREER SO SOON. YOU DID REAL GOOD IN THAT BUG-SUIT, SON.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU UP TO, POP?
JESS, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THIS IS NONE OF MY DOING. IF THERE WAS ANY OTHER WAY...
I'VE GOT NO CHOICE, JESS. ORDERS. I CAN'T LEAVE ANY EVIDENCE BEHIND--NOTHING TO INCRIMINATE THE COMPANY.
THAT MEANS NO WITNESSES.
SHUNGG
SHUNGG

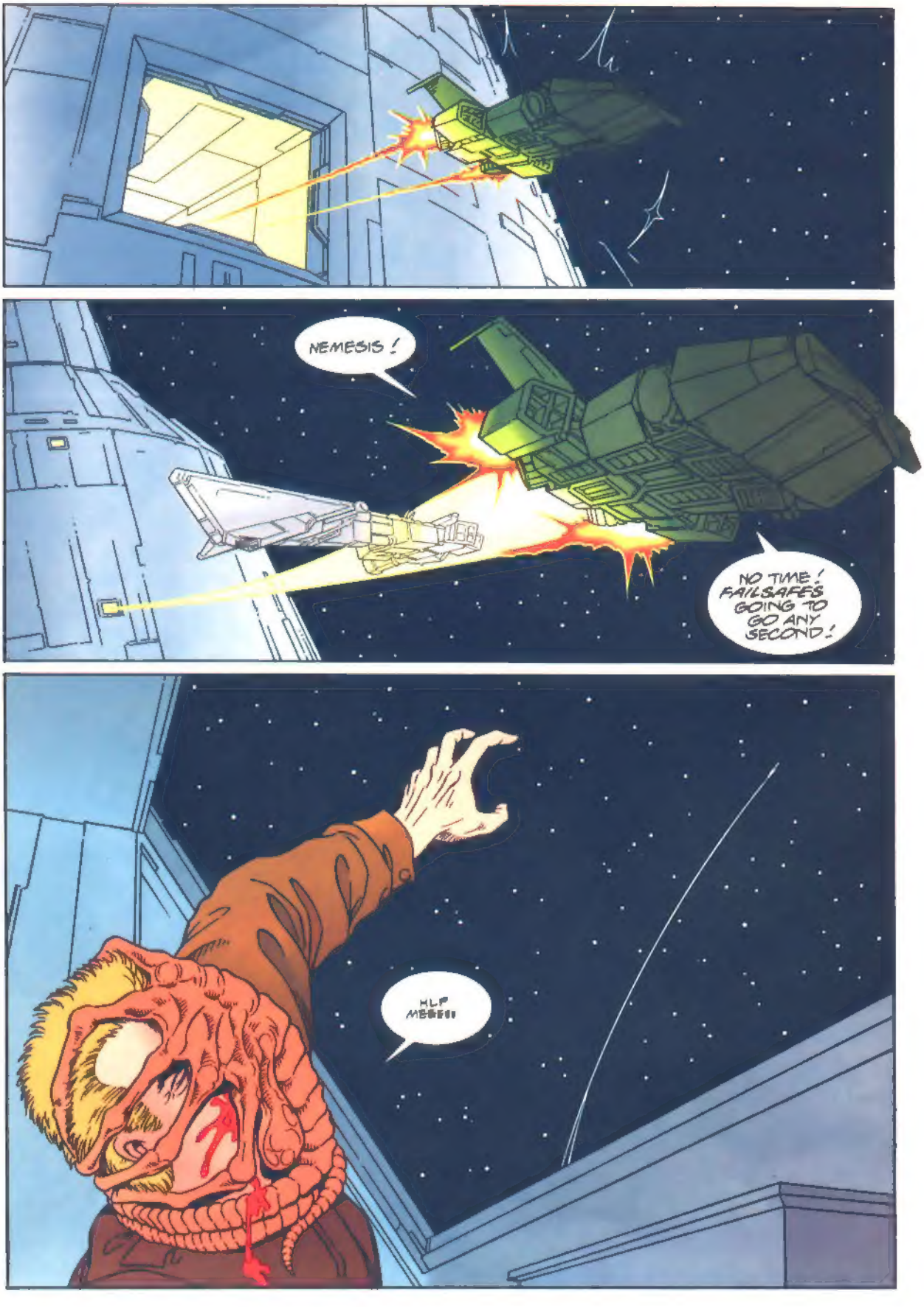
SO YOU'RE GOING TO MURDER THEM?
NO!
DON'T TRY TO STOP ME! IT HAS TO BE DONE!
DON'T YOU SEE? IF THIS EVER CAME OUT IT WOULD DESTROY THE COMPANY--AND US WITH IT! EVERYTHING WE'VE EVER WORKED FOR!
EVERYTHING YOU'VE WORKED FOR!
BERSERKER CREWS ARE EXPENDABLE. WE HAD TO GET THAT INFORMATION! BELIEVE ME, I DON'T LIKE THIS ANY MORE THAN YOU DO!
I'M SORRY JESS. REAL SORRY. BUT YOU UNDERSTAND MY POSITION. I HAVE TO GO WITH THE COMPANY.
KLIK
YOU LIKE IT A WHOLE LOT MORE THAN US, THAT'S FOR FREAKIN' SURE! DAMMIT, POP, DON'T DO THIS TO US!
HE'S CUT US OFF!

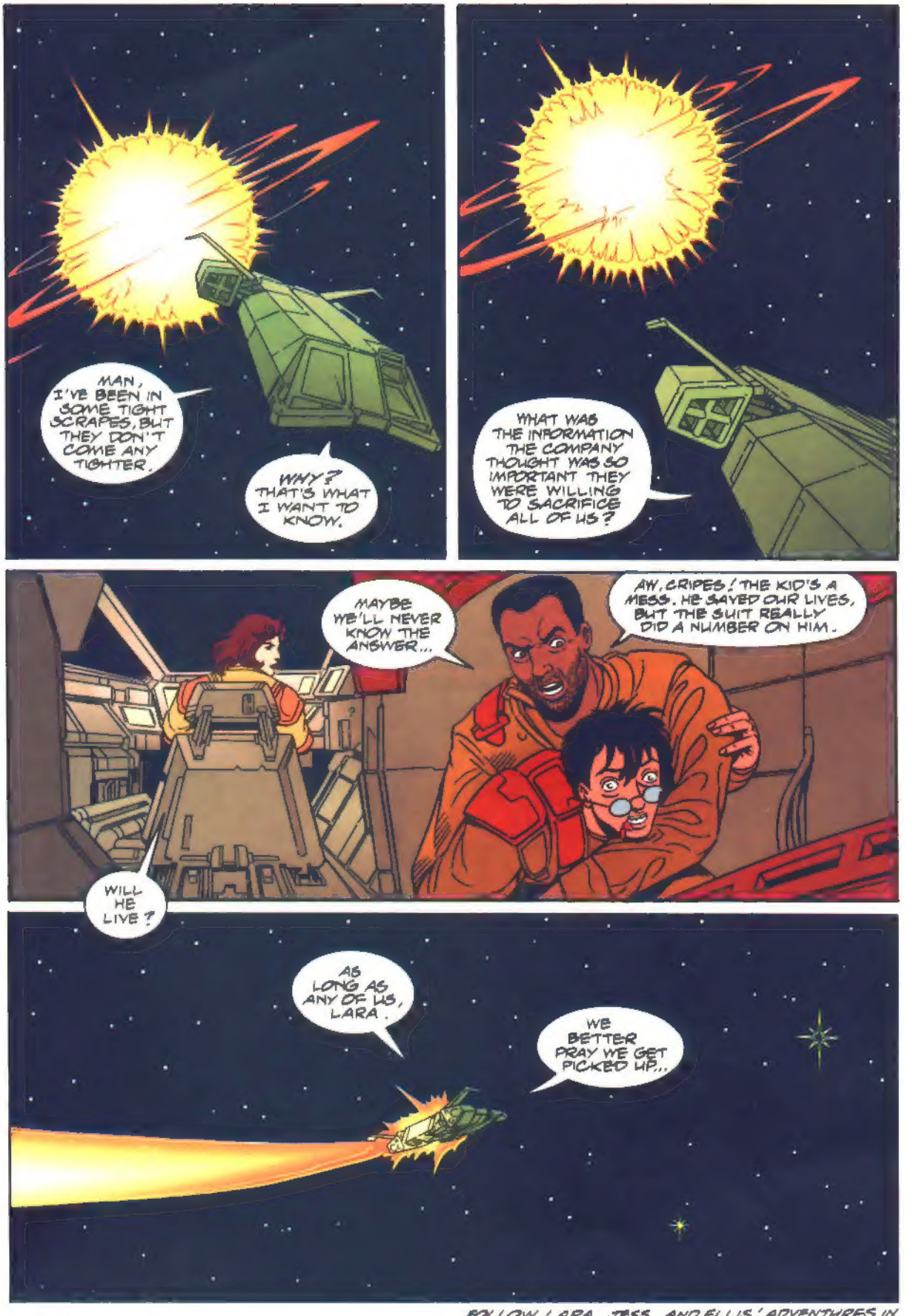
THE DEVICE WILL SET OFF THE TERMINAL'S OWN REACTOR.
TWELVE MINUTES--THAT SHOULD GIVE US AMPLE TIME TO GET CLEAR.
10:11
US? WHY ME, POP? I'M A WITNESS, TOO. HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR SURVIVAL?
BECAUSE I CARE FOR YOU, LARA.
I INSISTED. YOU WEREN'T PART OF THE DEAL. GRIGSON COULD SEE I WASN'T GOING TO BACK DOWN. HE HAD TO GIVE IN.
I HOPED--WHEN THIS IS ALL OVER--PERHAPS YOU AND I COULD BE TOGETHER. I ONLY HAVE FOUR MORE RUNS TO GO, LARA...
KEEP AWAY FROM ME! IF YOU THINK I WANT ANY PART OF THIS--
YOU FEEL THAT WAY NOW, BUT IN TIME YOU'LL COME TO SEE IT HAD TO BE DONE. IT'S FOR US, LARA--FOR OUR FUTURE.
WE DON'T HAVE A FUTURE!
THINK ABOUT IT! HOW LONG DO YOU THINK GRIGSON WILL LET YOU LIVE? IF HE COULD ORDER THIS, WHAT DOES ONE MORE LIFE MATTER?
YOU'RE WRONG, LARA. I'VE GOT THAT COVERED.
PULASKI'S CHAMPAGNE--WE'LL TAKE IT WITH US, TO CELEBRATE THE FUTURE.
SAP
FARM
CHAMBER

HUH--?
NOOO!

HELP ME!
JESS! THIS IS LARA! FACE-HUGGER GOT POP! I'M ON MY WAY!
LOOKS LIKE OUR LUCK'S CHANGED, ELLIS!
PLEASE--!
GLUUH
SO LONG, POP!


NOT BEFORE TIME!
WHIRR! KRRR
FUDDA FUDDA
BKOOM
WE'RE NOT SAFE YET! HURRY!


NEMESIS !
NO TIME ! FAILSAFES GOING TO GO ANY SECOND !
HLP MEEEE!!


MAN, I'VE BEEN IN SOME TIGHT SCRAPES, BUT THEY DON'T COME ANY TIGHTER.
WHY? THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW.
WHAT WAS THE INFORMATION THE COMPANY THOUGHT WAS SO IMPORTANT THEY WERE WILLING TO SACRIFICE ALL OF US?
MAYBE WE'LL NEVER KNOW THE ANSWER...
AW, CRIPES! THE KID'S A MESS. HE SAVED OUR LIVES, BUT THE SUIT REALLY DID A NUMBER ON HIM.
WILL HE LIVE?
AS LONG AS ANY OF US, LARA.
WE BETTER PRAY WE GET PICKED UP...

FOLLOW LARA, JESS, AND ELLIS' ADVENTURES IN ALIENS VS. PREDATOR: WAR #1. ON SALE SOON!